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after the play "Safety First"

**Friday, April 8**

## "Safety First" to be Presented Friday April 8, in Oyen Theatre

Preparations for the presentation by the amateur dramatic club of Oyen United Church of the three act comedy "Safety First" are nearing completion. The play will be produced on Friday, April 8, in Oyen Theatre, at 8 o'clock p.m. Members of the cast are doing everything possible to ensure the success of the comedy and it is hoped that loyal support will be given the presentation.

The cast includes Rev. and Mrs. E. F. Kemp, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Martin, Mrs. J. P. Brebeck, Miss A. M. Todd, Miss Catharine Wright, J. R. Acheson, Mr. R. J. Scott and Mr. Lewis Gillespie.

The following is a tabloid synopsis of the play.

Jack's suburban home. A misplaced husband. A "Hello" me good-bye at eighteen minutes after seven last night, and I haven't laid eyes on him since." The Irish maid is full of sympathy, but imagines a crime has been committed. Elmer, the college boy drops in, and the terrible Turk drops out. "Sure the boss has eloped." Jerry and Jack come home after a horrible night. Explanations—"We joined the 'Mintners.'" The defective detective arrives. Off to Florida? Jack's wife decides to go too. A month later, Jack and Jerry reported drowned. The terrible Turk again, looking for Zuleika. The return of the prodigals. Ghosts! More explanations. A couple of heroes. The terrible Turk looks for Jack and Jerry. Jack feigns insanity. Mary Ann spills the beans and Mrs. Bridger gets excited. "We are leaving this roof for ever!" Mrs. Bridger's garden. Elmer and Zuleika start on their honeymoon. Mable forgives Jack, but Mamma does not. They decide to elope. The two McNotts. One falls in the well. "It's his ghost." Jack and Jerry prepare for the elopement—but it goes floozy. "It's a burglar, mum. I've got him!" The terrible Turk finds his Zuleika. Happiness at last!

### FARMING VALLEY S. D.

Grade X Marion Bishop 70,

Dunne Bishop 63, Jackson

Bredin 51, Jim Bredin 46.

Grade VIII Eva Caskey 76,

Nelson Lodmell.

Grade VI Stanley Vanstone

67, Cecil Bredin 61, Bobby Berg-

man 63.

Grade V Helen Bishop 74,

Ralph Caskey 69.

Grade IV Ross Vanstone 66,

Grade II Irma Vanstone 73.

C. I. Lodmell, Teacher.

### THE TEMPERATURES

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### EXCEL NEWS

The home of Mrs. C. A. Bishop was the scene of an unusual gathering on Monday night, March 21, when fifty-nine couples of Excel Club sat down to a Banquet celebrating the close of the curling season of this club. President F. E. Bishop acted as toast master for the evening which was spiced with short addresses by the officers of the club, ships and others interspersed with community singing. The Secretary's report showed the club with a small surplus. The various draws resulted as follows: Pres. vs. Vice-Pres. won by President side in early part of the season and when repeated at close of the season the Vice-President side won.

The square draw showed S. Thayer with the highest standing and F. E. Bishop second. In the Christmas bouquet S. Thayer defeated C. A. Bishop in the play off. Mrs. C. A. Bishop won over W. McKibbin in the third man's event play off. The gathering broke up with the singing of Auld Lang Syne. A vote of thanks was tendered the Draw-Master C. A. Bishop for his service. A message of Good Will and Good Wishes for another year was received from R. Gates, a former member and veteran curler during the evening and the wish was echoed by all present.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Bishop entertained friends at a card party and dance in their home on March 24. Guests sat at ten tables of court whist. The music for the dancing which followed was played by Messrs. Sven Hanson and D. Crowley. A charity luncheon was served by the hostess.

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Notice is hereby given that, under the provisions of the Tax Recovery Act, 1926, the Municipal District of Golden Centre No. 272 will offer for sale, by public auction, in the Municipal Office, Sedalia, on Saturday the 30th day of April 1932, at the hour of two o'clock in the afternoon, the following lands:

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S.W. 18 30 5 W. 4th. Mer.  
S.E. 15 30 6 W. 4th. Mer.  
N.E. 25 31 6 W. 4th. Mer.  
N.W. 25 31 6 W. 4th. Mer.  
N.E. 21 31 6 W. 4th. Mer.  
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S.W. 34 30 4 W. 4th. Mer.

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Ralph Givens, Secretary-Treasurer

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# "SAFETY FIRST"

In Oyen  
Theatre on  
Friday  
April 8



## MUST ADHERE TO TERMS OF THE IRISH TREATY

London, England.—Great Britain's official reply to communication from the Irish Free State Government of Eamon de Valera, giving notice that the Free State intended withdrawing the oath of allegiance to the British Crown, was forwarded to Dublin, Ireland.

The reply lays down the principle that the oath of allegiance is an integral part of the Anglo-Irish treaty under which the Free State was constituted ten years ago.

The communication from the Free State failed to mention the question of and annuities, it was disclosed, but on this point the British view was made clear in a speech in the House of Commons by J. H. Thomas, secretary for the dominions, in which he said the Free State Government is "bound by law and honor" to continue payment of the annuities to the British treasury.

Mr. de Valera has been quoted several times as saying he and his government intended to withdraw payment of the annuities, amounting to £3,000,000 and arising out of loans to Irish tenants enabling them to obtain freehold of their lands prior to the formation of the Free State, thus on both points, the two governments stand at opposite views. The next move lies with Mr. de Valera's government.

Meanwhile both the Irish and the British senate are expected to meet in Easter recess. The bill will not resume sessions until April 20. The senate has adjourned indefinitely. If, therefore, Mr. de Valera intends to go ahead earlier with a bill abolishing the oath of allegiance, the bill will have to be introduced in the commons.

A further point arises whether a national referendum would not also be necessary. If Mr. de Valera intends to proceed by way of a referendum, amendment, Article 50 of the Irish Free State constitution recognizes the right of the dominions (Free State Parliament) to amend the constitution "within the terms of the scheduled treaty" but no such amendment, if passed eight years after the coming into effect of the constitution, may become law unless approved by a referendum of the people.

As Mr. Thomas spoke in the House of Commons Wednesday, March 23, he undoubtedly had the support of an overwhelming majority of the members.

At the same time possibility of negotiation has not been ruled out. In this connection likelihood of reference of the dispute to the Empire tribunal created by the last imperial conference was widely discussed.

The tribunal, the specific purpose of which is solution of disputes between members of the British Commonwealth of nations, proceeds by voluntary arbitration on an ad hoc basis. It consists of a panel of four of whom are chosen by parties to the dispute. These four elect a chairman, whose selection is limited among citizens of the British Commonwealth.

The present dispute, if referred to the tribunal, would be its first case.

### No Irregularities

St. John's, Nfld.—As a result of his investigation into charges made by Hon. Peter Cullen that Premier Sir Richard Squires had falsified minutes of council to facilitate manipulations of public funds, His Excellency Sir John Middleton found "no discrepancy, no falsification and no irregularity." The governor's report was read in the House of Assembly.

### Would Legalize Lotteries

London, Eng.—Leave to introduce a bill for the legalizing of lotteries for charitable, scientific and artistic purposes, or for any public improvement, was granted in the House of Commons to Sir William Davidson, Conservative member, by a vote of 176 to 123.

### To Build Fast Boat

New York, N.Y.—A water speed of 120 miles an hour, perhaps more, was forecast by Gar Wood, pilot speed boat manufacturer and Detroit, announcing construction of a new Miss America to defend the Harmsworth International trophy this summer on the Detroit River.

### To Study Wheat Rust

Ottawa, Ont.—The annual meeting of the National Research Council's Committee on field crop diseases will be held in Winnipeg, April 14 and 15, it was announced here. The committee is interested primarily in the control of wheat rust.

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## Would Form Central Bureau

Ottawa, Ont.—Formation of a central bureau, established and supported by the authority of provincial statutes, to which all insurance companies carrying out business in the several provinces would be required to submit returns and demonstrate their solvency, was suggested in the legislature by Hon. W. H. Price, Attorney-General, in introducing his insurance bill.

It is a bill similar to those passed by Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia, and is practically a warning to the Dominion government to keep hands off insurance companies.

With establishment of a central bureau, reports would be submitted to the provincial insurance departments for their guidance in the issuance of renewal licenses to transact business, he thought.

The bill submitted by Mr. Price is intended to permit the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council to pass regulations governing insurance, pending the settlement of a constitutional issue with the Federal Government.

## Alberta Land Settlement

Government Ready To Assist In Placing Unemployed On Farms

Edmonton, Alberta.—The Alberta Government is ready to join in a sound piece of work, the settlement of unemployed on farms, and upon employment on farms, and soon after protraction of the Alberta legislature plans along this line likely to be adopted.

The announcement was made in the Alberta Legislature by Premier J. E. Brown, in answer to a question from Hector Lang, Liberal, Medicine Hat, who asked what progress was being made in land settlement endeavours to aid jobless.

Premier Brown said the government had not yet heard to what extent the Dominion Government was prepared to go in support of land settlement by unemployed, nor what proportion of the cost the federal administration would bear.

Manitoba and Saskatchewan were also interested in the scheme, said the premier, and it was hoped a definite agreement would be effected shortly after the close of the present session.

## Bisley Shoot In July

No Reduction In Prize List Unless Absolutely Necessary

London, Eng.—The meeting of the National Rifle Association at Bisley Camp, which annually brings the great sportsmen of the Empire to England, was fixed for July 4 to July 10 next at a meeting of the N.R.A. Council.

Colonel Lord Cottosell, chairman presiding at the meeting, said that owing to shrinkage in funds available for the Bisley trophy and the financial challenge already competition, it had been found necessary to discontinue some of the replicas and ammunition which would be the standard for honours or medals and to reduce them in weight.

The council had no intention of reducing the prize list for the great Empire meeting at Bisley this coming summer unless it was absolutely compulsory, he added.

## Rescue At Sea

Fishermen Saved After Drifting In Small Boat For Eight Days

Miami, Fla.—Eight days drifting far at sea in a small and crippled fishing boat, food gone, throats parched for lack of water—and then when hope had all but fled, a rag soaked in gasoline and ignited by sparks from a storage battery brought rescue.

These were the experiences related here by Frank Coleman and his negro companion, George Maxey, who were brought to Miami by a coastguard cutter which transferred them from the rescue ship "Cuyana" of the United Fruit Company.

They were fishing near Fowey Rock March 12 and the crankshaft of the motor broke. The boat began drifting and soon thereafter sprang leaks. It was kept afloat by unceasing work at the pumps.

### C.N.E. Steamship Service

Montreal, Que.—The services to Australia and New Zealand by the Canadian National steamships freight services will be separated during the spring and summer of 1935 to provide a monthly service to and from each country, the company has announced. More frequent departures for the West Indies are also announced. Provision is made for a fortnightly instead of a monthly service between the Atlantic and Pacific coasts, if warranted.

## Back To The Land

Many Inquiries Received Regarding Settlement Plan In Saskatchewan

Saskatoon, Sask.—Dozens of inquiries with respect to the proposed provincial land settlement scheme whereby unemployed would be sent to farms have been received by Mayor J. E. Underwood in the last few days.

"The majority who are enquiring appear to be of the type who would most likely make good under such an interview," declared the mayor when interviewed.

"Council will not likely take any definite action with respect to the settlement proposal until after a report setting out details of the scheme, has been received from Premier J. T. M. Anderson."

Under the suggested arrangement the city would be required to contribute \$100 to each new settler sent from this municipality, the provincial authorities providing an additional \$200.

## Sailors Quell Riot

Beat Crew From Canadian Destroyer "Champlain," Preserves Order In Trinidad

Port of Spain, Trinidad.—A boat crew from the Canadian destroyer "Champlain" landed in the harbor here and quelled fierce rioting between sailors from the Danish motor ship "Alcazar" and Trinidad stevedores.

About 30 stevedores were loading sugar into the hold of the "Alcazar" when a dispute arose over the distribution of ship bread among them. Immediately fighting broke out between members of the vessel's crew and the resentful stevedores. Two Danes were seriously wounded and there was much bloodshed.

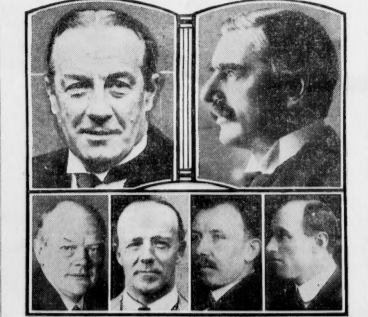
## DEBT HARASSED FARMERS TO HAVE ASSISTANCE

Winnipeg, Man.—Inquiry into different schemes of debt adjustment to relieve debt-harassed farmers to remain on their lands will be made by the agriculture committee of the Manitoba Legislature. This was decided when the legislature passed a resolution ordering the investigation. Farmers, creditors, economists, agricultural professors will be asked to appear before the committee.

Two bills relating to debt adjustment are before the legislature, sponsored by W. J. Major, Attorney-General. One of them would enable a debtor threatened with garnishment or seizure to file a statement of his debts with the county court. The clerk of the court would be empowered to take all circumstances into consideration and specify the amount the debtor should pay into court monthly to be advanced to his creditors. The bill applies to cases where total debts do not exceed \$500.

Another bill to amend the Debt Adjustment act applies to persons who have been engaged in farming and have been forced to retire after renting their farms. The debt adjustment commissioner would be authorized to issue certificates to prevent seizure in cases where such persons are entirely dependent on revenue from their land.

## THE MOTHERLAND'S CHOICE FOR THE IMPERIAL CONFERENCE



Above are the six members of the British Government who will represent the Motherland at the Imperial Economic Conference which takes place at Ottawa on July 18. They are, top left to right: Right Hon. Stanley Baldwin, who will head the delegation, and Right Hon. Neville Chamberlain, British Chancellor of the Exchequer. Below, left to right: Lord Halifax, Sir Walter Runciman, Right Hon. J. H. Thomas, and Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister, President of the British Board of Trade.

## DISCUSSES WAR DEBTS

DAVID LLOYD GEORGE

In a leading book, "The Truth About Reparations and War Debts," the wartime premier considers that Great Britain has been generous, but that France and the United States have not played the game with war debts and reparations.

Further Hardships For Chinese People

Famine and Epidemic Of Smallpox Add To Distress

Shanghai, China.—Disease and famine are placing further hardships on the people of China.

As a result of the crowding of refugees during the hostilities of the Chinese maritime quarantine service, Sir John Hope-Simpson, British director of the China Famine Commission, said at the same time famine conditions had again reached such a pass in some parts of the country that the people were eating the bark of trees, the shaft of Chinese plows, and weeds, in order to ward off starvation.

All steamers entering and departing from Shanghai now are required to take special precautions. One of its victims in recent days was E. Koe Lin, French Consul-General. Foreigners are particularly susceptible to the form of smallpox now prevalent.

## Miraculous Escapes

Fate Piled Worst Into In Saving Lives Of Street Car Operators

Calgary, Alberta.—Fate has played its cruellest hand in the case of a package and a steel beam in saving the lives of two Calgary street car operators.

A year ago a bandit shot at John Macdonald in an attempted holdup of a street car. The bullet hit the conductor's steel badge on the front of his cap, preventing a fatal head wound.

Recently a gunman's bullet struck Samuel Emery in the chest during an attempted street car robbery. The bullet lodged in the abdomen after it had been deflected from its course into the man's heart by striking a ticket package in his breast pocket.

### Granted An Audience

London, England.—His Majesty granted an audience at Buckingham Palace to Sir George Perley, Minister without portfolio in the Canadian government and leader of the Canadian delegation to the world disarmament conference at Geneva.

## Dr. Tory To Give Evidence

President Of Research Council To Be Called As Witness

Ottawa, Ont.—Dr. H. M. Tory, president of the National Research Council, will be called as a witness by the House of Commons committee on civil service. It was decided, Chairman J. Earl Lawson (Cons., York West) read a letter from Dr. Tory, who took exception to some statements made before the committee by officers of the civil service commission, one of whom, Commissioner Newton M. MacTavish, had suggested that the research council should come under the civil service commission.

Dr. Tory declared that, contrary to expressed opinions before the committee, the administrative offices of the research council received salaries in many cases lower than those paid employees in similar classes of work in the civil service. The professional workers were paid in accordance with the recommendations of the Beatty Commission report of 1920.

Appointments were not made by Dr. Tory personally, the letter stated, but by the research council as a whole, and professional appointments were made only after their qualifications had been examined by the highest authorities.

## Storm Sweeps Southern States

Two Hundred and Seventy-Five People Killed in Hurricane

Birmingham, Ala.—Two hundred and seventy-five persons were killed, hundreds of others injured and made homeless, and untold damage wrought by a series of tornadoes that dipped into the southern states.

Alabama bore the brunt of the storm, one of the south's major disasters. Here 220 persons lost their lives when the howling winds blew down their homes in two score communities.

Thirty-four were killed in Georgia, 17 in Tennessee, two in Kentucky and two in North Carolina.

## Paid Visit To Siam

Mr. and Mrs. Butchart, Of Sunken Gardens Farm, Entertained By Siamese Rulers

Victoria, B.C.—Mr. and Mrs. Butchart, whose sunken gardens at Nanaimo, B.C., here, are famous, returned home from Siam.

They were guests last month of King Prajadhipok, and Queen Siam, who visited the Butcharts at their home in the Sunken Gardens. The Siamese rulers, State functions were held in their homes.

The visit to Siam was made at the invitation of the Siamese rulers, who last October were entertained at Benvenuto.

## SAYS DOMINION HAS UNLIMITED GASOLINE SUPPLY

Ottawa, Ont.—Attention of the committee of the House of Commons investigating the alleged high prices of gasoline in Canada was called to the presence along the Athabasca River, north of Edmonton, of large deposits of far sands which A. U. G. Barry (Cons., Edmonton East), declared contained "sufficient gasoline to supply the needs of the whole world for hundreds of years."

In suggesting the committee investigate, Mr. Barry advised hearing Dr. S. C. Ellis, Department of Mines, who had found that it would be possible to process the deposits so as to produce gasoline at a commercial rate.

R. C. Matthews (Cons., Toronto East Centre), chairman, ruled it was outside of the jurisdiction of the committee. H. E. Spencer (U.F.A., Bathurst), felt any matter of obtaining gasoline from Canada would be certainly justify the committee's inquiry. C. J. Rodwell (Liberal, Swift Current), suggested "the committee had got a great deal on its hands now. Suppose we wait until we have completed examination of the oil companies and then look into the possibility of our investigating the scheme." The committee agreed.

John McNeil, director of sales, an employee of Imperial Oil for 26 years, was called to testify as to the cost of distribution of products throughout Canada.

Fundamental difference in gasoline prices was caused by varying freight charges. Hamilton was the lowest rate "zone" in Canada, and prices elsewhere in Canada would be higher, depending on the increased freight charges on oil fields "in the southern states."

## SAYS WATERWAY SHOULD BE BUILT BY THE DOMINION

"Toronto, Ont.—H. J. Cronin, publisher of the Vancouver Sun, is in favor of the St. Lawrence waterway, only if built and owned by Canada. In a published statement he says: 'May I ask the question of eastern Canadians, are you satisfied to allow the United States to engage in a water highway through Canada? Those who are not satisfied, it seems to me, should get busy at Ottawa before it is too late.'

"An incident happened last week that will bear repeating because it brought home to me as it will bring home to many others just what we Canadians are going to be when we part with our sovereign rights to let outside nations and allow them to come into Canada and spend their money."

"Speaking with an American friend in Montreal the other day, he sympathized with me for the financial conditions in Canada as reflected by the discount of the Canadian dollar. He then spoke of the waterways treaty being prepared by Washington and Ottawa and of the \$100,000,000 to \$200,000,000 that the United States was going to spend on building a canal through Canada. 'This is a big deal,' he said, 'for the money, etc., etc.' This innocent casual conversation started me thinking."

"The St. Lawrence waterway is a project that I have always been glad to support. It will mean open transportation for the United States, and, to people who live in Toronto, Chicago, and the Great Lakes territory."

"There is any way possible in which Canada can herself build that waterway, it would be much better to do so, rather than have the United States, if Canada cannot finance the proposition now, it would be far better to wait."

"This is a day and age of co-operation when neighbors and nations must increasingly work together, but it is no use to have my government through Canada a producer of embarrassment and irritation to Canadians that has better be avoided. Rather than have an American or any other nation put its foot in a position to tell me that I have my government through my country. I would make any sacrifice to have my government do its financial. Canada now has before it what happened in Manchuria when China gave Japan the right to build a railway through their territory, and the day that America owns a canal through Canada is certain to bring a conflict of sovereignty."

"Canadians enjoy a very friendly relationship with the United States. How long will this relationship remain friendly if subjected to the possible irritation of this waterway treaty?"

"For my part I want to say here and now that if the St. Lawrence waterway canal is to be built, Canada must build it and Canadians must own it."

## Found Guilty Of Rioting

Mrs. Annie Butler and Sam Scarlett Receive Jail Sentences

Edmonton, Sask.—Found guilty of rioting by a King's Bench court jury, Mrs. Annie Butler, of Toronto, was sentenced by Mr. Justice H. Y. MacDonald to serve one year in Battleford jail at hard labor.

She was also fined \$50, in default of which she will serve an extra term of six months.

Sam Scarlett, Saskatoon, declared guilty on the same charge was sentenced to one year in Regina jail and was fined \$100, with another six months in default of payment. Hard labor was omitted from his sentence in view of his physical condition after representations had been made for leniency in his behalf by the Saskatchewan bar, with Frank Cunningham of Regina, conducted the defence.

### To Study Effect Of Duties

London, England.—The British government prefers to watch the working out of the present general import duties before embarking on further fiscal legislation, said Walter Runciman, president of the Board of Trade, when he was asked by Lord Rokeby, Conservative, to initiate extensive "anti-dumping" measures.

### Do Not Want Trotsky

Prague, Czechoslovakia.—Czechoslovakia has revoked permission recently extended to Leon Trotsky, ex-husband of the ruler, to visit this country for three months.



## No Sale For Labrador

If Canada Could Afford It Purchase Might Be Profitable

In 1867 the United States bought Alaska from Russia for \$7,200,000. In 1911 Newfoundland offered to sell Labrador to Canada for \$10,000,000.

The correspondence with Newfoundland was tabled in the Canadian Commons. It disclosed Newfoundland's terms: The assumption by Canada of her national debt of \$17,000,000; the payment of a further \$10,000,000 on giving a clear title. It would mean taking \$11 alices from every man, woman and child in Dominion. And it would be like paying \$100 a piece to every resident of Newfoundland. But it's not going to happen—not just now, at any rate. It is generally enough that Canada has already enough territory and enough debt without acquiring a large new "helping" of either.

It is also pointed out that \$10,000,000 is a big price—last Quebec could have bought Labrador in 1925 for \$10,000,000. But that was before a Privy Council decision determined the actual area of Newfoundland owned. As a result of that decision in 1927, Newfoundland controls a Labrador of about 115,000 square miles—one-fifth that of Alaska, and more than one-quarter that of Ontario. It is greater in extent than England, Scotland and Wales combined. Its natural resources include a waterpower that is said to eclipse Niagara, and forests that are said to represent \$250,000,000 in timber. The waterpower is the 300-foot Grand (or McLean) Falls on the Hamilton River.

The purchase of Alaska by the United States was described at the time as "Reverend's Folly." It was not justified the description. It may be that Labrador at \$10,000,000 would not be a folly either. But Canada just cannot afford it. The correspondence tabled at Ottawa shows that there is no move being made to take up Newfoundland's offer.

## More Accidents But Fewer Fatalities

Shown In Annual Report Of Canadian Railway

A total of 2,997 casualties was the total of accidents on Canadian railways last year, according to the annual report of the Board of Railway Commissioners tabled in the House of Commons. This was the increase of 68 over the casualties in the previous year. The killed numbered 317 in 1931, as against 420 in 1930, and the injured 2,680 compared with 2,572.

Railway passengers killed in accidents in 1931 numbered nine, a decrease of eight, while passengers injured totalled 426 as against 308. Employees killed in 1931 totalled 61 as against 80, while others (mostly trespassers) killed last year numbered 257 compared with 313 in 1930. Injured employees numbered 1,531 in 1931, compared with 1,462 the year before.

## As He Saw It

"Don't talk to me about free education," said a hairy farmer of the old school. "What good has it done any one, any way? Makes young fellows too proud to do out for a living but sit at a desk and wear cuffs round their necks! And the girls! Why, my missus can't get a servant; they all want to be actresses, or teachers or lady clerks! And, the best of it is, after all the larnin', some of 'em can't even spell. There's young Johnson at the Green Swan just put a sign over his coach-house, and this is how he spells 'carriage'—p-a-r-a-g-e! Don't talk to me about free education!"

Exports from Argentina in the first seven months of this year were 74 per cent. greater in volume than in the corresponding period of last year.

There's nothing that can increase in weight like a heavy ulcer on a warm day.



"How old do you think I am?"  
"You have the brain of a girl of 20, the dress of a girl of 18 and the thinness of a girl of ten—total, 48."  
—Yule Mole, Paris.

W. N. U. 1935

## Succeed With Livestock

Western Indians Are Making a Success Of Stock Raising

In live-stock raising, the Indians of the three Prairie Provinces of Canada continue to show marked improvement according to a recent report of the Department of Indian Affairs. During the year 1931 cattle on all the reserves showed an increase in numbers while the horses, which are of a good farm type, were in excellent shape when the season's farming operations were drawn to a close last autumn.

The Department reports that there are between 25,000 and 24,000 head of cattle on the various reserves in Manitoba, Saskatchewan, and Alberta, which is the largest number yet recorded. The 1931 increase was a substantial one. Over 1,400 steers were sold on the market by the Indians and it is estimated that approximately 1,600 head were slaughtered for use on the reserves. After taking these reductions into consideration the net increase was about 2,000 head.

An outstanding feature of the cattle raising operations on Indian reserves in Western Canada is the high quality of the stock. Steers from the various reserves placed on the open market have brought the highest prices and a substantial source of revenue has been established through stock raising. From year to year pure bred bulls are added to the various bands to improve the stock with beneficial results. The growing interest of the Indians in this branch of farming is a matter of gratification to the Department, better sheltering being provided and a general improvement in care being noted. The number of Indians milking cows increased during 1931 and the practice is said to be steadily increasing.

The question of pasturing and forage for cattle on the Indian reserves in the southern parts of the Prairie Provinces caused considerable anxiety but late rains relieved the situation. The pasturing throughout the dried areas was not good until after July 1. Heavy rains improved conditions considerably so that up to the end of the year it was not necessary to feed hay from the stacks. Approximately 75,000 tons of hay and green feed were put up last year by the Indians in the West.

## Was Well Catalogued

Works Of Late Edgar Wallace Filled Twenty Pages

Canadians who visit the famous rear room of the Hotel Statuen are familiar with the two-foot-high catalogues in their shiny black leather bindings. Some authors have a page or two to themselves, but the record of the more prolific frequently runs into five or six pages. But the late Edgar Wallace, as some enterprising observer discovered recently, has no fewer than twenty of these large pages devoted to the cataloguing of his works. He has, in fact, more than 200 titles of novels, plays, and books of poems dating from 1900 to 1932.

## Hundred Per Cent. Profit

Bee-Keeping In Saskatchewan Is Good Business

During the last five years a total of \$450,700 worth of honey has been produced in Saskatchewan, according to E. M. Pugh, provincial apiculturist. This means that the bees have paid for themselves, for development work and for equipment and, in addition, returned their owners 100 per cent. on their investment. Mr. Pugh added: He is authority also for the statement that in the five years, less than \$25,000 has been spent in inspection and promotional work in connection with bee-keeping in the province.

## A Short Short Story

John Smith was a poor clerk for many years. He was very sympathetic and listened to any one, with a groan against the executive. In fact, he said that when he got to be boss there would be more pay for employees and more time for lunch for all.

In due time John Smith became the president of the company and now he listens to no one with a complaint to make. The entire force has suffered from reductions in salary and the lunch hour has been cut to twenty-five minutes.

To assist the domestic hemp industry the Italian government has decided to use goods made of that material in place of other fibres wherever possible in the army and navy.

Among the mountains on the moon is a range which has been called the lunar Apennines and which is more than 400 miles long.

Chile is paying overdue salaries to government clerks.

## FANCIFUL FABLES



## Farm Life Less Popular

Census Reveals Canadians Show Increasing Preference For Cities

The city and town were winning against the country in bidding for Canada's population. At the census of 1921, there were still more than half the population on the farm. But in 1931, as a return published, about 53 and 54 out of every hundred Canadians were living in urban centres.

Prince Edward Island is the most rural province in Canada. More than three out of four live on the farm there; Saskatchewan is next with 61 out of a hundred living in the country, and New Brunswick is only a shade less rural, also with 61.

Ontario is just ahead out by Quebec for the honor of being the most urban province. Only 39 out of every hundred in this province live outside the city or town; in Quebec, the number is only 37.

Only one province has grown more rural in the last decade—that is New Brunswick, where the percentage was 67.9 in 1921 and 68.4 in 1931.

The greatest swing cityward is recorded in Quebec, where the percentage of urban folk grew from 50 per cent. in 1921 to 63 per cent. in 1931.

## Grow More Alfalfa

More Of This Crop Should Be Cultivated In Western Canada

There are excellent arguments for a greater use of the alfalfa crop in Western Canada. At the present time there is a definite tendency to increase the acreage of forage crops. Alfalfa should certainly be grown on part of this land. It is true that the acreage of alfalfa remains small and many trials have resulted in disappointment. The reasons for this, however, are well understood. Alfalfa is a crop that requires special conditions and proper handling, but it is a crop which will prove very valuable to the man who will try to understand how it should be given.—Dept. of Agriculture, Ottawa.

In its reconstruction plan, Canton, China, will raise or reconstruct all buildings over five years old.

## Avoid Late Cutting

Observation In Connection With The Cultivation Of Alfalfa Crop

L. E. Kirk, Dominion Agrostologist, Ottawa, observes in connection with alfalfa that winter-killing due to improper management of the crop can be prevented by avoiding late cutting. During the first season the crop should not be cut at all. If it is very weedy it may be advisable to go over the field with a mower and cut off the weeds to prevent them from maturing seed, in which case the clipping should be done early in the fall and with the cutter bar of the mower set high. In succeeding years a second cutting is taken it should be made quite early in the season so that there will be sufficient time for a strong fall growth.—Dominion Department of Agriculture.

## Four Points In Bee Keeping

Factors Which Are Necessary To Ensure Good Success

"The object of all spring manipulations," writes the Dominion Apiarist in the current issue of "Seasonable Hints," "is to encourage brood production to the maximum and there are four factors necessary to secure it, and for which the beekeeper alone is responsible. (1) Each colony must be headed by a prolific queen; (2) There must be enough food within the hive to not only supply the bees themselves, but to feed the incoming generation of bees; (3) Sufficient room for the normal expansion of the brood nest and for the storage of any surplus brood and pollen which the early flowers may yield; and (4) Early protection from the cold and changeable weather of spring.

## Worse For Them

A man was being led off to execution by a squad of soldiers on a freezing cold morning.

"What brutes you are!" murmured the doomed man. "To march me through weather like this!"

"How about us?" retorted one of the squad. "We've got to march back!"

## Impaired Rural Incomes

Buying-Power In Cities Must Start On Farm

"If you are going to have buying power in the cities you first must have buying-power on the farm," declares Dr. G. J. Christie, president of the Ontario Agricultural College who adds that there will be a return of prosperity to manufacturing industry only when buying-power is once more placed in the hands of the farmer where true wealth lies. Urban people on the whole do not realize how great an influence an impaired rural income exercises upon their welfare and the welfare of communities in which they reside. Scores and scores of factories in this country are today closed or operating upon reduced time, and hundreds and hundreds of workmen normally employed in manufacturing operations are walking the streets or existing upon relief or charity because the farmer is offered only the lowest possible prices for his products.

## Tragedy Of The North

Two Trappers Hacked To Death With Axes At Lonely Outpost

Eugene Edward Olson and Emanuel H. Bode, trappers, were hacked to death with an axe in their tentback at the village of Thelon, Northwest of the Arctic Circle on or about December 5, 1930, and a wandering Eskimo named Tekalak is sought for as double murderer.

The silent north clung to the secret of the grim tragedy for more than a year before another trapper discovered the bodies just before last Christmas, and it was not until recently the Royal Canadian Mounted Police reported the shocking civilisation.

Throughout the far flung tundra, with its long nights and smarting cold, every member of the northern police force has been informed of these murders and the search for Tekalak, reported to have been seen with one of the rifles once owned by the trappers.

## Uniform Price For Oil

Saskatchewan Relief Commission Urges Various Firms To Reach Agreement

With a view to reaching a standard price and uniform price for farmers in the drought areas, negotiations are proceeding between the Saskatchewan Relief Commission and various oil companies and distributing agencies for such products as gasoline, fuel oil, distillate, cylinder oil, cup grease and formaldehyde. C. B. Daniel, general manager of the relief commission, announces that rather than negotiate with the individual companies and agencies, the commission has urged the various firms to reach an agreement as to standard of quality and price that will be acceptable to the commission and form a committee to confer with them for the purpose of reaching a decision.

Annoying smoke which has bothered passengers on ocean liners is now eliminated by smoke detectors. These devices divert the smoke from the decks and throw it high into the air.

Johannesburg, South Africa, has a building boom.

## Praise For Great Britain

Example Should Be Inspiration To World Says U.S. Paper

One of the inspiring stories of national heroism and resolution born of the depression has been coming in by Atlantic cables. It is the story of how Great Britain, backed against the wall last September by internal and external forces of economic disaster, has fought her way out against the traditional English manner, and is now more cheerful than she has been since the war.

First came reports of the huge shipments of gold from India to London, England, in support of the English sterling. Two hundred millions in gold has gone to London from India in the last five months and the movement continues unabated. Then came announcement that the gold standard of the British short term debt to America and France had been paid five months before it was due. Next came removal of restrictions on exchange dealing.

Turn back over the struggles made against depression in the various corners of the world since 1929, and nowhere is there more inspiring saga than Britain's since those fateful days in September when she renounced the gold standard and formidably her coalition government under Ramsay MacDonald.

The British always goes to the fastest relief when he is pushed into a corner. The British people never really begin to fight until then. They are the first to fight in a person's life. They are the first to fight the British character. They are the first to fight the British character.

This column has been guilty, along with thousands of individuals, in thoughtless moments, of singing the refrain about British having reached the zenith of her financial power and being now on the road over the hill to the poor house. Well, those who talked that way temporarily forgot the British character. The British have given the world its most inspirational example in depression warfare. The British were greater against them than against us. Let us, as Americans, take hope from the British—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

## Farmer's Account Book

Handy Book Which Will Assist The Farmer Available At Low Price

Farming is a business, and it is not the farmer wants to know why it doesn't pay. Some recent receipts and expenses together with an inventory (a list with values of live stock, feed, implements, etc., on hand), taken at the beginning and end of the farmer's year, must be kept. This is the only way to find out how much is being made from each of which departments are not paying. To assist the farmer in this matter the Dominion Experimental Farms have issued a very simple and useful little account book. This little book, while simple, is a great step in advance of keeping no account whatever. It may be procured from the Publications Branch, Department of Agriculture, Ottawa, for the sum of ten cents.

## Not a Model Youth

When quite a young woman, before she started her career—"I found a week and find one's own dress"—Miss Eva Moore taught dancing at Brighton.

"Amongst my pupils," she says, "was a small red-haired boy. "He was the naughtiest boy in the class. In fact, I used to think sometimes that he must surely be the naughtiest boy in the world. His name was Winston Churchill."

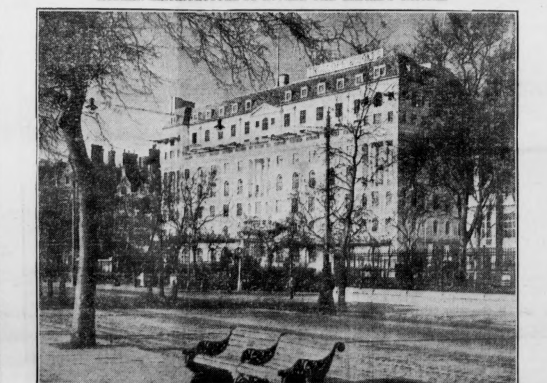
With 1,600 hours of sunshine, Seaford was England's sunniest city last year.

Glass fibres as fine as silk are used as insulating material on boilers, engines and pipes.



"Do you believe all they say of Lutescent?"  
"Of course, I believe it—what do they say of her?"—Bun-Hum Baker, Madrid.

## MODERN ARCHITECTURE TO INVAD THE EMPIRE'S CAPITAL



Old London Town is constantly changing her face, so much so that Londoners returning to the land of their birth after years abroad are finding it increasingly hard to find their way about the great city. No less than eight new buildings of unusual continental design are springing up in various parts of the British capital, some of which like the Daily Express Building in Fleet Street, are radical departures from the usual conservative styles of British architecture. Above is one of the new buildings, the headquarters of the Cable and Wireless Company, looking to the River Thames over the Victoria Embankment Gardens. It was designed by Sir Herbert Baker, and is not quite as startling as the others.

# Increased Population For Canada Will Be Necessary Soon To Help Liquidate National Obligations

To those who think superficially, it may seem out of place, in the presence of considerable unemployment throughout the Dominion, to talk of plans for increasing the population of the country by means of selected immigration. Nothing is clearer, however, than the fact that Canada, with its immense area and vast vacant spaces, cannot hope to pay its way or to carry its immense established overhead without more shoulders upon which to place the burden. The Dominion has a financial, industrial and railway plant which equips it to care for twenty or twenty-five million people, instead of only ten million as at present.

If we could secure additional population by gradual means and establish a sound economic basis, our national troubles would disappear. A public debt of \$2,300,000,000, a huge railway debt and the existing load of municipal and municipal debts would no longer be beyond our capacity. With several million people we could pay the interest easily and gradually liquidate the principal. The railways would have more people and goods to carry, their deficits would be turned into surpluses, and our industries would have larger domestic markets for their products. Our paper and pulp mill establishments would no longer be too large for the country. It is quite clear that Canada's greatest need is more people for its vacant space, more farmers to till the unoccupied lands, more producers and more consumers of all kinds.

The inauguration of an adequate immigration policy must satisfy, await the return of normal world conditions, so that there will be adequate markets abroad for our products, and particularly for the primary products of farm, land, forest and fishery. If the Imperial Conference, to be held at Ottawa next July, proves the success that is anticipated its decisions will in time go far to supply such markets. In any event we are glad to note that, in the words of Rt. Hon. J. H. Thomas, Secretary of State for the Dominion in the British Parliament, the question of inter-empire migration is to form one of the important subjects of discussion at Ottawa.

There is reason for satisfaction that the Canadian Government takes the same view, for, as Hon. W. A. Gordon, Acting Minister of Immigration, said at Ottawa recently, "Whether we like it or not, we must get over to the positive side of immigration because we must have more people if we hope to pay off a debt with which ten million people are loaded at present by reason of the railway problem on our hands." Another important consideration is the need of bringing in more British people of the right kind to strengthen and stabilize the Anglo-Saxon elements in our population and to buttress the British elements of the country.—Toronto Mail and Empire.

## The Whole Truth

A cinema actor suing for a breach of contract described himself as the greatest actor in the world.

One of his friends was asked to talk for so loudly singing his own praises. "I know," replied the actor, "I must have sounded somewhat conceited, but remember I was on oath."

## Right Up-To-Date

Bobby (short of money).—"I say, dad, have you any work you'd like me to do?"

Father (taken by surprise).—"Why—no—bui—er—"

Bobby—"Then would you like to put me on the dole?"

Business is like a wheel barrow. It stands still unless someone pushes it.

Life is worth living better than most men live it.



"What has he done?"  
"He attempted to strike me."  
"Then what is he charged with?"  
"Attempted suicide!" — Genuitische Buchs, Leipzig.

## Place Families On Farms

Plan To Move Destitute Residents From Cities To Farms In Saskatchewan

Depending on agreement with the Federal Government, the provincial government, in conjunction with the three larger cities, Saskatchewan, will place 1,200 families on farms in northern Saskatchewan, and there is the possibility that this scheme will extend to take in 2,000 families throughout the province. The present plan is that the provincial government find the land and the land settlement scheme and the provincial federal and municipal governments each bear a third of the cost of equipping the families to take up their farm duties.

It is understood that each family will be given stock and equipment up to a value of \$300, that suitable land will be found for them, buildings erected from timber drawn from land or adjacent territory and that the farms will be under the supervision of an inspector of the natural resources department. The scheme is understood to have been advanced by deputations from Moose Jaw, Saskatoon and Regina, and to have been favorably received by the cabinet.

It is understood there are 500 destitute families in Regina, 400 in Saskatoon and 300 in Moose Jaw. The families are to be ready to take up farming under this scheme.

## The Field Force Counts

Attention Is Called To An Important Phase Of Honey Production

C. B. Goodenough, Dominion Apiarist for the Department of Agriculture at Ottawa, calls attention to an important phase of honey production in the following statement: "The scheme of honey which a colony can gather is largely dependent upon the number of bees which can be released for field work during the period of honey flow and upon the ability of the beekeeper to keep this force contentedly working. The total number of bees within the colony is not a reliable index as to its ability to gather honey, because it is only those bees that are above a definite age that are effective as nectar gatherers and it is the number of bees in this force that counts in the production of surplus honey and furthermore, the strength of this force is dependent upon the care given the colony during the previous eleven months and not upon spring management alone as so many beekeepers fondly hope."

## Color Attracts Butterflies

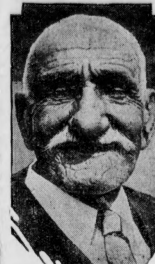
Tests Show Green Was Not At All Popular

It is the color, and not the odor, of flowers that attracts butterflies, says Popular Mechanic Magazine. This was proved in tests in Germany where paper flowers were scattered in a garden with blooming ones. It was found that the insects settled indiscriminately on both kinds to seek food. The experiment further revealed that different species displayed preferences for special colors, some yellow and blue, others blue and purple, but none of them was attracted by green.

By projecting a stream of hot air several feet in front of his car by means of a unique blow, an Englishman hopes to banish the danger of driving an automobile in foggy weather.

So sensitive is nitrogen boud, one of the world's most "touchy" explosives, that it will "go off" when touched by a feather.

## THE OLDEST MAN



Claiming to be 158 and therefore the oldest man in the world, Zaro Agba (above), is near death in London. The aged Turk toured this continent last year when this picture was made.

## The Cutworm Threat

Warning Issued To Avoid Potential Losses From Pest This Year

Less From Pest by Enabling Farmers in Saskatchewan and Alberta to avoid or reduce potential losses from cutworm damage this year, Arthur Gibson, Dominion entomologist, has issued a special notice in which particular attention is called to the fact that in those areas in which severe losses on account of damage by the pale western cutworm were caused in 1931 even greater losses may be expected in 1932, providing weather conditions are average, and that even a very wet spring will only partially check the immediate ravages.

Any fields which were undisturbed so that the soil surface was not aerated from August 1 to September 15 in 1931, should be reasonably free from cutworms this year, and reseeded fields which were cut after September 15 in 1931, should be considered as safe if undisturbed during August.

In any case where there is doubt as to a field being free of cutworms a test should be made sending an indicator strip of wheat diagonally across the field. This indicator strip should be seeded as early as it is possible to get a drill on the land and long before regular seeding starts. One strip wide is sufficient, and such a diagonal strip will give a fair example of the condition of the field, as weather conditions which wipe the grain to a height of about five inches will also hatch many of the eggs.

If on examination from 10 to 15 plants per square yard show injury the field should not be seeded. Under normal conditions this strip will show whether or not cutworms are present by the end of the first week of May, or earlier, and seeding operations should be governed accordingly.

No field should be seeded to any crop, especially flax, where cutworm damage is evident so long as there are cutworms present and active. Detailed information as to the cutworm situation and its control can be secured by writing to the Dominion entomological laboratories at Trebban, Manitoba, Indian Head and Assiniboia in Saskatchewan; Lethbridge or Morris in Alberta, or to the provincial departments of Agriculture at Regina or Edmonton.

One way to keep a body from becoming a burlybody is to keep a body busy.

## A SOLDIER-PRESIDENT ON PARADE



Attired in the full dress uniform of his rank as Field Marshal, President von Hindenburg of Germany recalls the war days of 1914-18 when he was leading his country in the most disastrous war in history. The 84-year-old soldier-President is shown as he reviewed the Guards Regiment of Berlin on the Moltke Field. Next to von Hindenburg is Oberst von Tiedemann, commander of the regiment, while at the extreme left is General von Hammerstein, Commander-in-Chief of the German Army.

# Radial Rings On Tree Trunks Reveal Age And History Of Dry Seasons Of The Past

## What Not Included

In Germany's Super Tariff Against Goods From Canada

The Reichsregierung, official gazette of the German Government, publishes a decree authorizing the insurance minister to impose the so-called super-tariff against goods from Canada, increasing existing duties 100 per cent. as from April 1.

Goods specifically mentioned in the decree were: Fresh, dried and tinned meats, fish, lobsters, oysters, turtles, fur, butter, paper, cardboard, aluminum, shoes, certain kinds of machinery. Canadian wheat was not included in the list.

The decree provided that the duties can be suspended for six months, pending Canada at once entering into negotiations with Germany for the conclusion of a commercial treaty.

Germany is one of the few countries in central Europe with which Canada has never concluded a commercial treaty. Canada has had commercial treaties with Belgium, Holland, Spain, Czechoslovakia, Finland, Hungary, Estonia, the Serb, Croat and Slovene Kingdom, Roumania and Lithuania.

## Canadian Humor

Type By Itself and Is Essentially Good-Natured

Canadian humor as a type differs from American and English alike, writes Lionel Stevenson in "Appraisals of Canadian Literature." There is not the characteristic exaggeration of the one, nor the characteristic restraint of the other. There is a closer affinity, perhaps, with the Scottish type, as exemplified by Barrie, with his whimsicality and sympathetic indulgence, but the Canadian style is more downright, and deals more with action, less with character. It is a hearty sense of fun, arising from genuine joy of life, including an eye for the absurd which is latent in the commonplace. It is essentially good-natured. Stereotyping a perfunctory concern between crudity and sentimentality, it is usually content to avoid both, by sheer force of simple, sunny cheerfulness.

## Beans Make Good Crop

Interest In Growing Beans In Western Canada Is Increasing

The Dominion Experimental Station at Lethbridge, Alberta, reports a decided increase in interest in the growing of field beans in western Canada, particularly in irrigated areas. Heretofore practically all the beans used in cities and towns of western Canada have been imported from Japan, the United States and Eastern Canada. A pilot line Lethbridge, for example, uses about six carloads of 20,000 pounds each annually. Beans require a long season in maturity and should be planted sufficiently early to ensure against loss from frost. The small white varieties are best suited to market demand, and it is also pointed out that too rich land, too heavy irrigation, too thin seeding, and too wide spacing of rows all tend to prolong the period of growth.

Montreal Boulevard, which may be constructed from one end to the other of Montreal, in Quebec, may cost as high as \$12,554,000.

Students of arboriculture of late years in the west have taken seriously to the observation of the growth of trees, since there appears to be positive proof that tree growth depends on the amount of precipitation.

Experts in the study of trees can tell by the number of radial rings the age of the tree. Once that part of the science was established, observation was directed to the width of the rings marking each year's growth.

In some large trees where the rings were well defined, it was observed that growth was not the same every year, and it was finally agreed by students that there was a reason for some rings being wider than others. This reason is given as either lack of, or sufficient moisture.

First the observations were made on trees growing in depressions where sufficient moisture was available all through the growing period. It was found that rings in such trees were almost uniform, and as the tree aged in years, the rings became perceptibly more uniform.

This established the principle that all trees do not respond in the same manner to nutrition and moisture as do young trees.

Trees on uplands where drought would affect them were then studied. It was found that the percentage of drought the rings were less in width than the rings during years of plenty of moisture. Thus students were able to record years of drought in the country without having any prior meteorological records.

One expert in this science, L. B. Powell, formerly of Weburn, and now of Regina, sections of trees were found in several parts of Saskatchewan where the years 1794, 1798, 1800, 1820 and 1831 were plainly shown as dry years. White spruce, however, showed no cross sections clearly indicate this.

Such progress has been made in the study of the trees that the age of trees cut down hundreds of years ago, can be told from the timber.

One expert in this science, A. E. Douglas, of Tucson, Arizona, was able by referring to his chart on the number of annual rings in the abandoned cliff dwellings in New Mexico and tell the years in which these timbers were cut thousands of years ago. Last year he received a prize of \$2,000 from the Rockefeller Foundation for his research work and contribution to the science of arboriculture.

There are of course other agencies that must be taken into consideration in measuring the growth of trees. There is sunshine, shade, climatic conditions such as extreme cold and snowing back. All these have some effect on the growing trees in certain sections of the country.

One peculiar condition exists in British Columbia. There the width of the rings of the trees are almost always uniform, showing that plenty of moisture and an equable climate governs the growth of the trees. There also older trees show that as age comes on, the rings grow less in width.—Regina Leader.

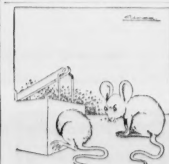
## New Diving Apparatus

A deep-sea diving apparatus, which will allow exploration and work at depths of 10,000 feet and more, has been invented in Germany. The contrivance is shaped like an egg and its metal shell is made to resist enormous water pressure by automatically adjusting the interior air pressure through the vaporization of liquid air.

## Cold Storage For Apples

The Vancouver Harbor Board still has under advisement plans for the construction of a cool room on one of the board's piers with a capacity of 100,000 boxes of apples, designed principally to facilitate the handling of the export apple crop from the Okanagan.

Glasgow, Scotland, police are warning on shoplifters.



"The greedy fellow. I have been here for an hour and he won't allow me to look in!"—Buen Humor, Madrid.

## Not As Pictured

Members Of British House Of Lords Are Sturdy Patrons

The Prince of Wales has unveiled a Memorial in the Royal Gallery of the House of Lords to 245 peers who lost their lives in the World War. These figures are startling. They represent fully one-third of the total membership. Just think what one community would have sacrificed were 245 out of 740 male members of the population to be killed or die of wounds.

Prior to the war the Lords were in disfavor with a large section of the British people. Mr. Lloyd George had worked up a terrific agitation against them. He virtually pictured them as a lot of blood-sucking leeches on the people and grinding the masses down in poverty.

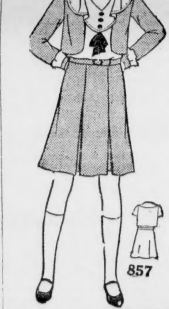
But in fact the peers were, and are, about the staunchest patriots in British constitution. By their hereditary rights of rulership, public service is one of the first things they think of. Their sons officer the army and the navy. There is scarcely any other occupation for a peer's son. They enter the services as a matter of course. And when the time comes the officers are right in the thick of things.

Much of Britain's finest blood, peers and the sons of peers, the latter running into thousands, is spilled in defense of Britain whenever and wherever the army or navy are engaged.—St. Thomas Times-Journal.



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## About Town and Country

Mrs. E. C. Caswell and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Caswell, who arrived in Oyen last Friday from Calgary, are visiting at the home of Mr. Gordon Caswell.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Linklater of Sibbald entertained guests at their home on Good Friday evening. A dainty midnight supper was served and dancing was continued till 3.30 a.m.

BORN.—To Mr. and Mrs. John Shields of Oyen, on Monday, March 28, a son (James Harvey).

Mr. H. L. Packard of Stettler, Alta., was a week-end visitor in town.

Miss Jessie Erskine arrived home from Calgary Good Friday morning, to spend the Easter holidays with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Grant and son Jimmy, left last Monday for Wallace, N. S., where they will visit Mr. Grant's parents. Mr. Grant has been acting as relief agent at Acadia Valley for the last six weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Miller and son Bert returned to Oyen last Friday evening after spending two days in Calgary.

Mr. G. S. Peck and Howard Balaun returned to town last Friday evening from Calgary.

Mr. Art Kerr who has been confined to his home for a few days with the flu, was back at business yesterday.

Miss A. M. Todd left last Friday morning for Chinook to spend the Easter holidays with her parents.

Military Opening Thursday, April 7. Will show a complete stock of Spring Millinery in my home on Second avenue. Will be out of town April 12, 13, 14 and 15. Mrs. H. E. Gillespie.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Scott and two children and Mrs. Scott's sister Mrs. Conn, left last Sunday by car for Calgary, where Mr. Scott will attend the Teacher's convention.

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Snyder and son Jack, left last Monday by car for Calgary, where they will spend the week.

Miss Rita Walker is a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Miller over the Easter holidays.

Alex. Wright and Bob Lees arrived in Oyen Friday morning from Calgary to spend the Easter holidays at their respective homes.

Miss Nettie Kornichenko arrived in Oyen Friday morning from Hanna to spend the Easter holidays at her home.

Mr. James Lees, who has been spending the winter months visiting in the old country, returned to Oyen last Thursday.

Mrs. Sam. Kornichenko left last Thursday for Lizard Lake, Sask., to spend the Easter holidays with her daughter Mrs. J. Evdokimenko.

Mrs. E. Roberts, who has been the guest of her sister Mrs. J. Lees, for the last three months, left last Friday for Calgary.

Mr. J. Woods recently received word of his brother's death Joseph Eusebio Jerome, in Montreal, at the age of 68 years and 6 months.

Read  
The Ads.

## Church Notices

SUNDAY, APRIL 3

ALL SAINTS CHURCH

Evening

7.30

Rev. C. M. K. Parsons

Vicar.

OYEN UNITED CHURCH

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Grade V

Bernard Kelly 76.7, Kenneth Palmer 68.1, James Stafford 67.3, Thomas Lees 65.6, Annie Cassidy 64.3, Bernard McDonald 63.4, George Gibson 60.3, Ruth Love 57.6, Howard Kennedy 55.9, Fred Robinson 51.9.

Grade IV

Donald Scott 81.3, Raymond Langmuir 80.8, Frank Krewski 75.9, Anna Kelly 75, Le Roy Mahaffey 69.1, Zoe Thygesen 64.3, Jean Auston 63.6, Doris Trewin 62, Edna Pratt 57.1, Harold Peterson 51.6.

Grade III

Beth Gibson 79.9, Rita Wendling 78.9, Rose Erskine 75.8, Joyce McLaron 75.6, Rita Cassidy 71.6, Myrtle Dooly 68.6, Robert Morrell 68, June McMurray 67.1, George Lees 65.9, Ian McKay 64.6, Dale Langmuir 62.3, George Daig 60.7, Evelyn Thygesen 60.1, Florence Mahaffey 58.2, Unranked Ross Acheson.

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## FRIDAY, APRIL 8

## Characters in the Play

(In order of their appearance on the stage)

MABEL MONTGOMERY, (Jack's Wife)	.. . . .	Mrs. J. F. MARTIN
MARY ANN O'FINNERTY, (an Irish Cook)	.. . . .	Mrs. J. P. ROBAECK
ELMER FLANNEL, (a Shrinking Young Man)	.. . . .	Mr. LEWIS GILLESPIE
VIRGINIA BRIDGER, (Mabel's Sister)	.. . . .	Miss A. M. TODD
ABOU BEN MOCHA, (a Terrible Turk)	.. . . .	Mr. J. F. MARTIN
MRS. BARRINGTON-BRIDGER, (Mabel's Mother)	.. . . .	Mrs. E. F. KEMP
JERRY ARNOLD, (an Unsuccessful Fixer)	.. . . .	Mr. R. J. SCOTT
JACK MONTGOMERY, (Mabel's husband)	.. . . .	Rev. E. F. KEMP
MR. McNUTT, (a Defective Detective)	.. . . .	Mr. J. R. ACHESON
ZULEIKA, (a Tender Turkish Maiden)	.. . . .	Miss CATHERINE WRIGHT

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